RESOLUTION NO. 16-18

SUBJECT: Repeal and re-adoption with amendments
Pertaining to the Calvert County Environmental Commission
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## PERTAINING TO THE REPEAL AND REENACTMENT OF RESOLUTIONS 40-07, 19-78, 20-77, AND 11-75 WITH AMENDMENTS PERTAINING TO THE CALVERT COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland (hereinafter, the "Board of County Commissioners") has general authority to provide for the appointment and removal of volunteer advisory boards pursuant to <u>Code of Public Local Laws of Calvert County, Maryland</u>, §2-201;

WHEREAS, The Pleasant Peninsula Planning Commission recommended the creation of an advisory commission to make recommendations, after thorough study and deliberation, concerning matters of environmental impact to the residents of Calvert County on any and all matters pertaining to the environment of Calvert County, to the Board of County Commissioners pertaining to, but not limited to, water resources, biodiversity, sustainability, aesthetic impact, socio-economic impact, and the general health and welfare of the County residents;

WHEREAS, by Resolution 11-75, adopted March 18, 1975, Resolution 20-77, adopted September 27, 1977, Resolution 19-78, adopted July 11, 1978, and Resolution 40-07, adopted September 25, 2007, the Board of County Commissioners authorized the creation, defined the mission and increased the number of members; and

WHEREAS, the Calvert County Environmental Commission has recommended and the Board of County Commissioners has found that amendment of the current operating guidelines, such that the Calvert County Environmental Commission reports directly to the Board of County Commissioners instead of reporting through the Calvert County Planning Commission, and allowing education through public outreach, is warranted.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that Resolutions 40-07, 19-78, 20-77, and11-75 be and are hereby **REPEALED**.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that there is and shall be the Calvert County Environmental Commission for the following specific purposes hereinafter set forth:

- 1) The mission of the Calvert County Environmental Commission is to prepare and submit recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners pertaining to matters affecting the environment of Calvert County;
- 2) The Calvert County Environmental Commission shall consist of eleven (11) members who shall be appointed to three (3) year terms. The Board of County Commissioners may appoint new members to fill vacancies in any unexpired term.
- 3) Members of the Calvert County Environmental Commission shall serve without compensation except that they shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred and approved in advance by the Director of the Department of Planning & Zoning.
- 4) The Calvert County Environmental Commission shall:

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- 4) The Calvert County Environmental Commission shall:
- a) Serve and act in an advisory capacity with no plenary or autonomous powers;
- b) Recommend to the Board of County Commissioners definitions and guidelines for any and all matters affecting Calvert County's environment within the jurisdiction and control of the Board of County Commissioners;
- c) Prepare its recommendations in conjunction and in coordination with other relevant County departments and agencies;
- d) Provide public education through outreach; and
- e) Submit an Annual Report to the Board of County Commissioners that describes the Commission's activities and identifies environmental issues and concerns that the Commission deems important.

**BE IT FURHTER RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that current members of the Calvert County Environmental Commission shall continue to serve their unexpired terms, and are eligible for reappointment in accordance with Chapter 11 of the <u>Calvert County Code</u>.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that, in the event any portion of this Resolution is found to be unconstitutional, illegal, null or void, it is the intent of the Board of County Commissioners to sever only the invalid portion or provision, and that the remainder of the Resolution shall be enforceable and valid.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that the foregoing recitals are adopted as if fully rewritten herein.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that this Resolution shall be effective upon recordation without publication of a fair summary.

DONE, this day of April, 2018, by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland, sitting in regular session.
Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland, sitting in regular session.
Aye:
Nay:
Absent/Abstain:

[Signatures on Following Page]

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ATTEST:	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND
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